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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The new officers and board have taken over the reins of P.M.C.M. and everything is moving along very well thanks to an informal meeting held at the home of Past President Mart Delger.

There are a couple of things I would like to take care of in this first President's Message. I would like to thank Mart Delger, Chuck Fenwick, and Doug Murray for their excellent help in the transfer of P.M.C.M. records. Doug Murray did a super job of organizing, packing and labeling the old Rag Pickers. He also went over some printing information with Chet Clark, our new Editor.

I would also like to wish you all a prosperous new year. It is my sincere hope that there will be an upturn in the economy which will help the collectors and stimulate sales for the dealers.

I would welcome all correspondence and seek your wisdom and knowledge to help me in promoting P.M.C.M.

I've worked with some young collectors lately and we need to encourage and help them in every way possible if we want our hobby to grow. We receive a great reward I believe when we help someone and share our knowledge with those starting out in our hobby.

I am real thankful for those who helped me when I first started collecting.

Central States is the next big show in our area, so I'll be looking forward to seeing many of you there.

Sincerely,
Al Latson

COMING EVENTS

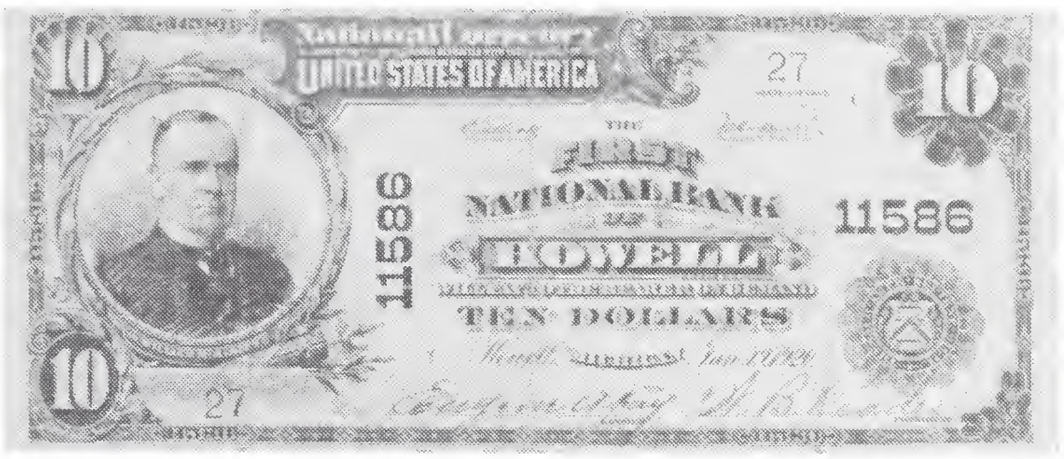
April 7 - 10 Central States Numismatic Society, 44th Convention, at Hyatt - Regency, Dearborn Michigan, hosted by Dearborn Coin Club.

April 22 - 24 Michigan State Numismatic Society, 27th Annual Spring Show, Hyatt - Regency in downtown Flint Michigan, PMCM likely Sat. PM.

June 17 - 19 Memphis Paper Money Show, annual international, Memphis Tennessee. PMCM meeting is being planned.

DID YOU KNOW? - that vignettes on two separate broken bank notes in Maine depict Santa Claus in a sleigh drawn by reindeer over housetops? The $50 note of the Bucksport Bank in Bucksport is one. The $1 note of the China Bank in China, Maine, is the other.

ABOUT THE COVER ILLUSTRATION



FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF HOWELL, MICHIGAN

by Al Latson #1205

The cover illustration note this issue, the $10 National Currency of Howell, Michigan, series 1902, dated January 10, 1920, was acquired at the Hickman & Oakes auction held at the International Paper Money Show in Memphis, Tennessee, last June.

I've been looking for National Currency notes from Howell for several years so was pleased to see one show up in the auction in Memphis.

I knew both men in the bank who signed this note. When I was very young I lived on a farm. One of my weekly highlights was going to town with my Grandpa. We always went into the bank and one of these gentlemen was always offering me a bag of pennies if I could carry it out. As I remember I pulled and tugged but never succeeded in moving it. In later years my folks told me what a big chuckle these men enjoyed as I worked so hard to carry out that bag of pennies.

Another interesting thing about this note is the very low serial number. I shall treasure it for many years.

Presently I am collecting a type set of $5 notes. It is my desire that for the National Currency notes I need I will be able to find notes from my home town.

CENTRAL STATES SHOW

During our annual meeting on November 27 our PMCM member, Helen Sedo (#2037) of Dearborn MI made an announcement. Helen stated that the 44th Anniversary Convention of Central States Numismatic Society would this spring be in Michigan at the Hyatt - Regency Hotel in Dearborn. The dates are to be April 7 to 10. The Host Club will be the Dearborn Coin Club. Helen will be general chairman.

Since then President Al Latson has received a phone call from Past President Mart Delger with the good news that a paper money meeting is planned for the Central States Show for Saturday PM © 2:00, April 9th. This is to be a joint program on Michigan Obsolete Banknotes for PMCM and the Society of Paper Money Collectors after each organization has a 20-minute business meeting.

SECRETARY - TREASURER'S REPORT

The transfer of files and paperwork has taken place, quite smoothly, thanks to Chuck Fenwick. Everything was kept up to date and I just had to continue on. Chuck had a computer which I don't have, but with a little more work I should be able to carry on.

At the time of this writing (early January) I have not received the balance of the checking account in Michigan. This will be in my next report. 143 members have paid 1983 dues.

I have received here:

107 dues @ $8.00	$856.00
3 payments for Ads	52.00
Postage	1.00
Total in Victor Bank	$909.00

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Thiel,
Secretary-Treasurer

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

New Members:

#2112 Patrick A. Heller, Lansing, MI (Sponsor: Chuck Fenwick).
2113 Frank Iacovone, Bronx, NY (Sponsor: Chuck Fenwick).
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2119 Robert Hatfield, Taylor, MI (Sponsor: Al Latson).
2120 Alan Goldsmith, Houston, TX (Sponsor: Ed Richt).

GENERAL MEETING

The regular fall meeting of PMCM was held on Saturday PM, November 27, 1982, at the Michigan State Numismatic Society Show in the Hyatt-Regency Hotel, Dearborn, Michigan.

New president Al Latson recommended that Robert Thiel (#1686) of Victor, New York, be appointed to serve PMCM as Secretary - Treasurer. President Latson also recommended that Chester Clark (#974) of Howell, Michigan be appointed to serve as Editor of the Rag Picker. Members present supported and approved both recommendations.

Newly elected vice-presidents, B. Joseph Mikolajczyk (#1767) of Parchment, Michigan, and Dr. Wallace Lee (#1823) of Pontiac, Michigan, were present and were introduced.

President Latson presented Past President Mart Delger with an award, a medallion, in recognition of his superb service to PMCM.

Paper money was well represented among the exhibits at this leading Michigan Show. Chuck Fenwick (HLM#12) won the PMCM Best of Show award, but Dr. Wallace Lee took first in MSNS judging with Fenwick placing second. Fenwick's exhibit title was Seldom Seen & Odd Denomination, U. S. Paper Money 1776-1904. Dr. Lee's exhibit was Michigan Obsolete Bank Notes of the State Bank of Michigan. PMCM members came in for a clean sweep when B. Joseph Mikolajczyk placed third with his exhibit of Federal Reserve Notes.

FROM YOUR EDITOR

A great challenge is mine. You have asked me to edit the Rag Picker, our PMCM quarterly. To take over from immediate past editor Doug Murray (HIM #14) of Portage MI, with all of his helpful suggestions, will not be difficult, but to put out the first issue from a different town with a different printer, and try to maintain the format Doug has perfected, will be somewhat slow and challenging. We have available funds for this issue. If more ads come in, and if dues not yet paid for 1983 come in as will be expected, it is likely we can have more issues on schedule. Send your Rag Picker ads directly to me, and your dues to our Treasurer Bob Thiel. Addresses are on page one.

These pages will be a bit more crude than the typeset pages Doug put out. Typesetting is expensive, and until we know the cost of this issue, we had better preserve some of our funds for the next issue.

It appears at the moment that we have enough material for about 13 pages instead of 16. This extra space should have been used for ads, but now will have to contain articles which will delay by several days my getting everything to the printer. Your half page ad, or that 1-page or 2-page article you didn't send in could have made the difference. Every collector has knowledge of his or her own specialty which is not common knowledge and would be intriguing to others. Even a paragraph or two, or tidbits of information, are worth sharing with PMCM members.

To edit, if I receive the material, I feel I am capable and can do a satisfactory job. For nearly seven years I was editor of the Junk Box, quarterly of the Michigan Token and Medal Society, am presently the editor of our Livingston County Historical Society, and have written many numismatic and historical articles for other publications. It is true I am now a retiree and should have oodles of time but it doesn't seem to work that way. My good wife Yvonne, who wasn't happy that I accepted another major task, is a bus driver for the Howell Schools, in her 20th year and top banana on the seniority list. So it falls to me to help with the meals, do the dishes, and help care for my stepmother and mother-in-law who are 93 and 83 years of age respectively. We have 5 grown children and six grandchildren. Income taxes and checking accounts always seem to need doing. So if you will accept a 65 year old who tires more easily than before, allow me to enjoy 3 or 4 hours a day editing & typing without working late nights, and not expect me to be editor more than a year or two, I'll do my best.

Our new president Al Jatson phones me every 3 or 4 days to keep tabs on the Rag Picker, and I appreciate his concern. It has been good to correspond with our new secretary-treasurer Bob Thiel in New York state. I shall look forward to meeting him personally, likely at Central States in Dearborn or at the Memphis Show. Bob plans to send us his photo for the next issue. If any of you members have a photo of yourself such as at a dealers table, viewing your collection, manning a PMCM table, or of a particularly interesting banknote - it must be in black and white - would you identify it and send it to me?

If our treasury gets too low we may have to revert back to the newsletter in mimeograph form. This would not be all bad. We have had some good material to read in all those "volumes" of Rag Pickers put out by Harriet Nordhof VanDenBosch, Ralph Werve, and Bob Ryder. I wasn't a member before 1969 so missed the first 3 volumes. My number is #074 - the same as my number in MSNS. I believe Harriet "arranged" that as she was secretary of both organizations.

Not one bit of information of the Int. Show of Paper Money to be in Tennessee has come to me, but a grapevine phone call said the dates are June 17-18-19 at Rivermont Holiday Inn, 200 W. Georgia Ave. in Memphis.

NOVEMBER 1982 BEP PRODUCTION

Federal Reserve Notes Printed

Denom.	Series	Serial # - From	To	Quantity
$ 1	1981	B33 280 001 E	B69 120 000 E	35,840,000
		E51 200 001 C	E89 600 000 C	38,400,000
		F87 040 001 C	F99 840 000 C	12,800,000
		F00 000 001 D	F17 920 000 D	17,920,000
		G51 200 001 C	G89 600 000 C	38,400,000
		H62 720 001 A	H88 320 000 A	25,600,000
$ 5	1981	G69 120 001 A	G79 360 000 A	10,240,000
		H11 520 001 A	H20 480 000 A	8,960,000
		J38 400 001 A	J48 640 000 A	10,240,000
		L88 320 001 A	L97 280 000 A	8,960,000
$10	1981	B20 480 001 B	B37 120 000 B	16,640,000
		E26 880 001 A	E35 840 000 A	8,960,000
		G42 240 001 A	G52 480 000 A	10,240,000
		H11 520 001 A	H23 040 000 A	11,520,000
		J16 640 001 A	J25 600 000 A	8,960,000
$20	1981	B48 640 001 B	B74 240 000 B	25,600,000
		E92 160 001 A	E99 840 000 A	7,680,000
		E00 000 001 B	E03 840 000 B	3,840,000
		G21 760 001 B	G34 560 000 B	12,800,000
		H24 320 001 A	H30 720 000 A	6,400,000
		J47 360 001 A	J60 160 000 A	12,800,000
		L19 200 001 B	L32 000 000 B	12,800,000
$50	1981	D06 400 001 A	D08 960 000 A	2,560,000
		L06 400 001 A	L10 240 000 A	3,840,000
$100	1981	C01 280 001 A	C06 400 000 A	5,120,000

Star Notes

For November all stars were printed for sheets only.

$10	1981	E00 019 501 *	E00 640 000 *	16,000 (500 sheets)
$ 1	1981	G03 218 001 *	G03 840 000 *	64,000 (2000 sheets)
$ 1	1981	H01 299 001 *	H01 920 000 *	32,000 (1000 sheets)
$ 5	1981	J00 659 501 *	J01 280 000 *	16,000 (500 sheets)

CANADIAN PAPER MONEY SOCIETY

Our organization exchanges publications with the Canadian Paper Money Society. Their quarterly, The Canadian Paper Money Journal, January issue, has been received. Their Society president, Al Bliman, is also presently serving as editor. The CPMS address is Box 1074, Adelaide St. P. O., Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5C 2K5. Their dues are $20.00 per year.

DECEMBER 1982 BEP PRODUCTION

Federal Reserve Notes Printed

Denom.	Series	Serial # - From	To	Quantity
$ 1	1981	A26 880 001 B	A52 480 000 B	25,600,000
		B69 120 001 E	B90 880 000 E	21,760,000
		F17 920 001 D	F43 520 000 D	25,600,000
		G89 600 001 C	G99 840 000 C	10,240,000
		G00 000 001 D	G15 360 000 D	15,360,000
		G03 840 001 *	G04 480 000 *	640,000
		K14 080 001 C	K35 840 000 C	21,760,000
		L96 000 001 C	L99 840 000 C	3,840,000
		L00 000 001 D	L28 160 000 D	28,160,000
$ 5	1981	A21 760 001 A	A30 720 000 A	8,960,000
		G79 360 001 A	G89 600 000 A	10,240,000
		L97 280 001 A	L99 840 000 A	2,560,000
		L00 000 001 B	L07 680 000 B	7,680,000
$10	1981	A32 000 001 A	A42 720 000 A	10,240,000
		B37 120 001 B	B46 080 000 B	8,960,000
		G52 480 001 A	G64 000 000 A	11,520,000
		L44 800 001 A	L56 320 000 A	11,520,000
$20	1981	A51 200 001 A	A61 440 000 A	10,240,000
		B74 240 001 B	B99 840 000 B	25,600,000
		B00 000 001 C	B03 840 000 C	3,840,000
		G34 560 001 B	G47 360 000 B	12,800,000
		L32 000 001 B	L55 040 000 B	23,040,000
		Star Notes		
$ 5	1981	A00 019 501 *	A00 640 000 *	16,000 (500 sheets)
$20	1981	L01 939 501 *	L02 560 000 *	16,000 (500 sheets)

J. RICHARD BECHER is the author of a very good, very detailed, article on the "Jewett and Pitcher, Lumber Merchants" banknotes of 1872-1873, in the January issue of the Canadian Paper Money Journal just out. Both the Aroostook pine business in Canada and the bank in Boston are involved.

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A RAGPICKER'S PICKIN'S

by Chester Clark #974

The title of this article, my ninth, is the same as the first eight. Not being sure how many articles I had written for the Rag Picker over the years, I went back to my stack of issues since my first one in 1969 and had to do some digging. Apparently I'd been a member of PMCM for more than two years before I wrote my first article. It appeared in the Aug/1971 issue and was about paper money of the Southwest Pacific in WW II, money I'd been paid in while there, stories about my gathering money from other soldiers since I was a payroll clerk, about conversion tables, and money I'd brought home such as Japanese Invasion Money.

Also in 1971 my second and third articles dealt with military notes - one on Philippines Guerilla notes, and one on Short Snorters. The next four articles, from Mar-Apr 1972 to May-June 1978, included mostly Early American broken bank notes which I was actively collecting and exhibiting, especially ones of Michigan and Livingston County.

As numismatic organizations, metal detector treasure hunters, and some historical societies started asking me to speak on their programs, I did mostly "show and tell" and carted along my cases of paper money, oddball exonumia, and Australian scrapbooks of 1942-1945 which held snapshots, clippings and souvenirs of my experiences there. The audiences loved it, especially when I'd read some paragraphs from my first article of Aug/71. The stories, all true, had to do with paper money from our soldier's pay. One was of the pack of over $3,000 worth of Dutch guilders I carried in my backpack for more than 3 weeks, secretly, until I could turn it in to Division Finance which had moved out unexpectedly. Another was of some money I'd collected from a buddy to send home for him. His pack had been captured by the Japs, later captured back from the Japs, his paper guilders in the pack had been torn to pieces and strewn on the ground. He asked if they were any good now. I said I'd try, and with paper clips I had only because as medical clerk I had to have them for Emergency Medical Tags, I clipped the pieces to a plain piece of paper for each note (we had no glue, envelopes, or such). I turned the torn notes in with proper receipts, was later informed by him that his parents in Georgia received the money OK - in US dollars, but my buddy was later killed in action. We were in those jungles for months at a time. We were infantry medics - first aid men - with a higher mortality rate than the riflemen.

The story which seemed to please the listeners the most though was of my being in New Guinea in 1943, and wishing to send my girlfriend back in Australia some flowers for her birthday, I had a problem. We could send Soldiers Savings, War Bond money, and money orders back to the US, but there was no provision for sending money to Australia. I did have with me a half-pound (10 shillings) Aussie note, about $1.67 in US money. Our money was worth so much more than Australian at that time. I felt that the note would buy a decent bouquet for Margie, so mailed it in a letter to a florist I knew was located on the corner of 2 certain streets in Footscray, suburb of Melbourne. I asked if they could deliver 10 shillings worth of flowers to her address on a certain day. They did. The van backed up to her front gate & a man carried in 26 separate various bouquets. Later Margie and I became engaged by mail and were for most of 1945. Our Dads wrote to each other. Then I was sent home to US directly from the Philippines. Neither of us knew how to cope with the vastness of the Pacific Ocean and postwar problems, how I could send her the engagement ring I'd purchased in Michigan, nor when we could ever get together. We became "disengaged" by mail, and I last heard from Margie in 1951 - until 28 years later.

In 1979, after my wife Yvonne and I had raised five children, we felt we could afford a tour. We planned it for many weeks. I wanted to take her to Australia to meet all the families who had been so good to me. We were gone during the month of November, springtime in Australia, visited 39 families (the children of 6 or 8 families I knew were now grown and had their own homes), stayed in Aussie homes 22 nights, and had a great time. It was 35 years to the month since I was there on furlough in 1944. I took my SW Pacific banknote collection and my 3 Aussie scrapbooks with all the snapshots and clippings. I visited several large coin shops.

The day before we left Lansing airport enroute to Australia we received an urgent letter from Margie, learned she had married, had a son and a daughter, and she asked us to be sure and stay at their home when in the Melbourne area. Of 4 nights planned for Melbourne we had already promised to stay 3 with other families. We wrote we would stay the other night with them. As we arrived at noon, with historians - a man and his wife from Monash University who took us there, Margie had "tea" ready for us. But first, introductions all around, and while still standing in the hallway, Margie handed me a heavy rusty suitcase. To my query "What's this?" she said "It's yours." As she asked us in to sit down, I sat on the sofa, set the heavy suitcase on the floor, Yvonne asked how we would carry that home, and the historians hurried to sit on either side of me to see what was in the case. They had used my wartime diary for the book they are writing so knew of Margie. Margie's husband Ron was amazed and said he'd seen that suitcase stored for years and supposed it was empty. The case wasn't mine. The contents were. All my mail from home for the whole war - about 200 letters, Life magazines, hometown papers, Jap Invasion Money, snapshots & clippings were there. In a tin pail was a piece of wedding cake from a buddy's wedding I'd been best man for, plus a half dozen packs of American chewing gum - Black Jack, Juicy Fruit, Cloves, Dentyne - which I'd given Margie. I hadn't known she didn't like gum. When we left we brought all the letters and some snapshots, but left the heavy magazines and the pailful in the case, and asked Margie to give the JIM notes and souvenirs to young collectors there. Some of those letters, which I'd forgotten about for years, are now priceless to me. Many V-letters are among them. Many of the relatives and friends who wrote them are now deceased.

Soon after that month's highlight of our lives we had an experience to deflate our balloon. In January 1980, six weeks after returning to US, we had a noontime daylight robbery of our home during a two hour absence. All of my collections and trading stock, 4 cases and 30 ringbinders, were setting out ready for the robbers as I'd returned from a show the night before, plus all my Aussie scrapbooks and collections from giving a talk at the local Kiwanis Club 3 nights earlier, plus our Aussie tour photos.

The robbers did toss the photos on the floor. We still have them. All else is gone, and we don't expect to ever see any of it again. Other things in our home were not touched, we weren't harmed, and we are grateful. I started collecting again, on a limited basis, and with more caution. I wrote my eighth article for the Rag Picker's Mar-June 1980 issue - again on Obsolete Michigan and other banknotes.

Three major events of 1981 I wish to mention. An international paper money show was being scheduled for Toronto for July - to be called Interpam '81. Our vacations didn't coincide so I took part of mine then, took a train ride for fun, all by my lonesome, from Windsor to Toronto, and checked in at Interpam. The worldwide dealers (continued on page 15)

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE EXCHANGE LIST

Chairman: B. Joseph Mikolajczyk PMCM #1767
603 Parchmount Avenue
Parchment, Michigan 49004

The F.R.N. Exchange List could use another member from "A" (Boston), and also another from "I" (Minneapolis) District.

This exchange list is open to all members in good standing (dues must be paid) who would care to help their fellow members, as well as themselves, exchange current FRN's. If you would like to be added to this exchange list, drop me a card, or letter at the address listed above. DON'T WRITE TO THE EDITOR. This only delays your request and makes additional work for him.

The following PMCM members will exchange current FRN's they have available with other members at face, plus stamped, self-addressed envelope.

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AMONG OUR MEMBERS

JIM FRANS, our HLM #3, and past president and past editor, and truly one of PCCM's founding fathers, was hospitalized and unable to attend our general meeting last November. Our new president Al Latson says he has learned that Jim has since returned to his home to recuperate. Al asks that our members drop a card or letter to Jim to let him know he is remembered. His address: PO Box 909, Holland MI 49423.

Our new membership list as of December 1, as prepared by past secretary Chuck Fenwick, is a most interesting study in itself. It shows just over 300 paid members. Since then our new secretary Bob Thiel has reported another dozen or so new members. This appears to be a sound organization and the names appearing include many prominent collectors, dealers, and researchers of paper money. All the names are VIP's, some newer than others. We started in Michigan and now have as many or more Michigan members as ever, but the out-of-state members have increased to such an extent that it appears about one-sixth are from Michigan and five-sixths out-of-state on this list. We have 14 Honorary Life Members and 6 Paid Life Members. If I poke fun at certain names I may get in trouble, but you may smile too to know we have a Brail and a Brill, a Linn and a Litt, a Novak and a Nowak, and a Vink and a Vonk.

Doug Murray was thoughtful in asking members to make comments for the "new editor." These do help and I thank members who responded.

James J. Hoskovec #1524 of Colorado asks for more articles on Nationals - Western States and Territories, and states that "Peter Huntoon writes great articles."

Anthony Vigliotta, a newer member #2111 of Florida thanks Joe Mikolajczyk for sponsoring him.

Ralph Osborn, early member #95 of Texas says "I like the Mag!"

Marie Goldman, early member #102 of New York sent in her dues again and asks if next years mail (1983) might reach her a little sooner.

Melvin W. Fishel #2077 of California missed getting the last issue. Thanks for the $1, Melvin. A copy is being sent, though tardy.

CLASSIFIED ADS

(Please notice - an asterisk in the following ads (*) is used to indicate a star).

WANTED - $5, $10, $20 FRN's, series 1928 to date, plain and stars, crisp uncirculated. Will buy outright and trade with notes in my listing which I will send on request.
Ted Gozanski, (#173), PO Box 303, Superior WI 54880.

(0000) - Start # to trade (1963-1977A) for 0000 Start. What do you have and what do you need?
E. J. Wehling, (#1474), 39-17 Sycamore Drive, Fairlawn NJ 07410.

CRISP UNC - 1928 $1 Silver Certificate $9.75. Half cut sheet of six consecutive, positions A to F, only $54.75. Extensive catalog available to PMCH members.
Graeme M. Ton, Jr., (#1593), 203 - 47th St., Gulfport MS 39501.

ANYONE - please help. I need $1 FRN 1963 to date, all blocks with ending serial #25. List of wants sent on request.
Allen R. Camacho, (#2073), PO Box 2125, Milford Conn 06460.

WANTED - 1928 and 1934 series FRN Stars -- $5-$10-$20-$50-$100, stars only. Also bank postcards, small town USA and Canada - exteriors, interiors, safe deposit box areas, and vault doors. Send postcards on approval, or write to: Tom Conklin, (#558), PO Box 440, Rutherford NJ 07070.

NATIONAL Currency - Large and small. Write for free list. Also need to buy Nationals. Want lists appreciated.
Sycamore Coin Gallery, (#2096), 358 W. State, Sycamore Ill 60178.

BUYING - and selling all rare Latin American and world banknotes. Write for a free list.
Southeastern Currency Inc., (#2086), PO Box 5640, Greensboro NC 27403.

SINGLES - from uncut sheets $5. AH block from BH error sheet $25. Half AH error sheet with BG error, price on request. Have 1981 E* F* G* B* to trade.
James W. Seville, Drawer 866, Statesville NC 28677.

PLEASE send for my list of National Currency for sale. Numerous state capitols and type II notes.
Larry J. Linn, (#1931), 4041 E. 14th, Casper WY 82609.

WANTED - Maine National and obsolete notes.
Don Priest, (#1352), 41 Main, Fairfield Maine 04937.

WANTED - National Ohio Bank Currency of Mt. Vernon, Mt. Gilead, Columbus, Fredericktown, central Ohio towns. Let me hear of any for sale. Dean D. Updike, (#1848), 34 W. College St.,Fredericktown OH 43019.

NEED BADLY - Will buy, or trade if possible - 1963A - A x 01A - J x 010A - K x 011A - L x 012A, 1969A K x 011A, 1969 K x 011A, 1974 K x 012A.
Darewood Steinhoff, (#1282), 4220 Sheridan Rd, Kenosha WI 53140.

ZERO NOTES - Looking for 4 - 5 - 6 - 7 zero starts, ends, centers and zero radars 1963-1981 letters and stars for my collection. Trade, buy or sell. My want list available. Yours appreciated.
Warren C. Wicks, Sr., (#2074), 324 North Midland Ave, Nyack NY 10960.

CLOSING OUT - following surplus notes @ $1.25 each plus SASE -- 1969C - F*, 1969B - A*, 1969D - C*, 1969A - F*, 1969B - C*, 1969 - LA, 1969D - IA, 1981 - F*.
Albert K. Dole, (#1544), 330 W. 5th St., Lewistown PA 17044.

WANTED - Information on small size Silver Cert 1935A MA-non mule. Does anyone have one? Is there such an animal? Please write.
John Hanik, (#1031), 69 Lenox Ave, Lynbrook NY 11563.

THREE circulated world banknotes plus current price list all for $1.00. WW II Military Currency my specialty. Lists available: (1) US Military Payment Certificates, (2) Japanese Invasion Money, (3) Philippines Emergency & Guerilla Currency.
Edward B. Hoffman, (#1109), PO Box 10791-M, Reno NV 89510.

BUYING - New England Obsolete and Nationals. Ship for my high offer or call for more details. I stock Nationals and Obsoletes of all states, plus large size type notes.
Denly's of Boston, (#2063), Box 1010, Boston Mass 02205.

WANTED - $200 H-*, buy or trade. Have many spare notes 1963 to date. Would like to hear from any member who saves #77 ending. Have many extras. Lawrence Alexander, (#1227), 5410 Todd Ave, Baltimore MD 21206.

TRADE - $1 - 1981 G*'s with back plates above 2000 for your 1981 A*, E*, H*, J*, K*, L* with back plates above 2000. Also need these $1 - 1981 stars with back plates below 500: A*, C*, D*, E*, I*, J*, K*, L*. Need two each of wants.
Doug Murray, (II#14), PO Box 2, Portage MI 49081.

GERMAN Notgeld Notes - I started to collect, but quit! Have 163 diff, 20 pages photo copies (one side), your $3.00 Unc US notes.
Tim Fleming, (#1413), 627 W. Lockwood Ave, Webster Groves MO 63119.

WANTED - Last block of $1 notes with four-digit back check numbers from each district. Will either buy (state price), or will return insured all notes submitted.
Rev. Frank H. Hutchins, (#425), 295 N. Broadway, Yonkers NY 10701.

WANTED - 1981 $1 Star Notes with 295 endings, from districts A-B-E-H-L. Will buy or trade other stars. Send or write. Postage refunded.
Joseph Mikolajczyk, (#1767), 603 Parchmount Ave, Parchment MI 49004.

WANTED - 1977-A Series $5 Star Notes C, E, and I. Also $10 Star Notes H and I districts.
Newell A. Shireman, (#1089), PO Box 251, Middletown PA 17057.

WANTED - 1981 $1 notes B--81*, B--69E, B--81E, J--69*, J--81*, J--69B, J--81B, L--69* and L--81*. Have extra notes to trade.
Hubert A. Raquet, (#273), DeAnza Mid Fla Lakes, 239-B Highland Drive, Leesburg Florida 32748.

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I met personally will long be remembered. I became acquainted with SPMC and attended a super lecture by their lady editor, Barbara Mueller, I believe. As a member of IBNS I attended the general meeting of that organization. Some PMCM were present, but not as an organization.

On Labor Day weekend the second event was a great surprise. I was at home here in Howell when the phone rang. A man said he was from California, had just arrived in Michigan, and was at the Holiday Inn in Howell. He said he was a member of PMCM and had kept an article I'd written in the Mar-Apr 1976 issue (5 years earlier) because I'd told of my chapter on currency in the Howell Bicentennial History, and he'd been planning on visiting Howell one day to trace his roots. This member is John J. Nichols #1655 of California. He wished to learn more about his ancestor Amos Adams who had lived in Howell. On the phone John asked if he could see a copy of the Howell Bicentennial Book, if I had local banknotes, or if I could tell him whom to see. I gathered some things and was there to see him in 15 minutes. Mrs. Nichols was with him. We had quite a visit. Amos Adams as it happened was the first merchant in Howell, circa 1836, built the first frame store, was the first County Treasurer and the first County Surveyor, had moved on to California, and here was a great grandson returning to see where he had been. John's own parents didn't live in California but in Missouri. John had searched for years for a bar'note, national currency, of his hometown Fairview MO, and had recently located one, a large size, which he was proud to show me. John said the bank in Fairview closed, I believe, in 1930. Fairview is located in SW Missouri between Joplin and the Arkansas state line. In 1970 the population shows as only 263. And John, if you can send me a photo, in black and white, of that note, I'll print it. When John returned home he zeroxed and sent me the Aug/71 issue. Mine was stolen.

The third event was not a surprise. We had planned it for weeks. Ron and Margie, the couple from Australia, came to Canada and US for a 10-weeks tour by Greyhound (by plane across the Pacific), arrived in Lansing on October 1st, and spent 12 days at our home. On learning more of our robbery and the loss of my Aussie scrapbooks of 1944, Margie said she would try to have prints made from snapshots she had back in her home. She did, and last summer a parcel came with some 40 photos.

Enough chatter - except to say that John Nichols and Mrs. Nichols again visited Howell last fall. Another good visit. Coming up in March I'll do a national collectibles show in Chicago - including paper money. In April we'll have two weeks in Florida visiting two sons, in June likely the Memphis Show, in July another Aussie couple is due here, and in August our Great Lakes Chapter hosts our national 84st Inf Div Reunion at the Hyatt-Regency in Dearborn. I'm registration chairman - 800 expected.

ADVERTISING NOTES is a topic I'd like to mention this time. This pair I have had for a long time should always remain together. They are nearly crisp, show little handling, and have been well kept. It is likely they would never have passed for genuine and weren't intended to. What better way to catch a person's attention than with a piece of money? Likely it was not illegal then. No bank is mentioned, no dollar value given, though the ad is designed to look like a $3 bill. It is green, red and black on cheaper paper. A Statue of Liberty with arms down, standing on a globe, is at the left. On the right end is a fancy "3" above a man's portrait. In black script is "United States." In small black print: "act of May 10, 1869." In red print, same on both notes, the serial # 37963 and the seal which says Novelty Ad. Co. Pub. Peoria Ill. Also on the face is the heavy black ad itself - one different from

the other - but both for stores in Ovid, Michigan. In green underprint on the face of each is a large "3" with engraved designs on either side.

F. E. Allen, Dealers in Boots & Shoes, Main Street, Ovid, Mich. is on one of the notes. On the reverse is "this bill is good for Five Per Cent in payment for all cash purchases made of us, amounting to three dollars or over. But one bill will be taken on each purchase. The largest stock, the latest styles, and the lowest prices in the County."

S. C. King, Dealer in Drugs & Chemicals, All Standard Patent Medicines, Paints, Oils, and Dye Stuffs, Wines and Liquors for Medical Purposes, Phoenix Block, Ovid, Mich. is on the other note. The reverse says "On presentation of this bill I will allow you a discount of Five Per Cent on a cash purchase made of me. (Opium, Oils and Lead excepted) amounting to One Dollar and Upwards. Only one bill will be taken on each purchase."

MORE NEW MEMBERS

#2121 R. Logan Talks, Toledo, OH
2122 Joseph T. Sobeck, McKees Rock, PA

MORE COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS

Lawrence C. Hoersch #1942 of NJ wrote that he "would like to see an article on differences between FRN - US Notes, etc. as regards relative responsibilities / obligations of issuing offices, what is 'backing' of each, also how is quantity printed or in circulation determined, etc."

Tom Conklin #554 also of NJ says "Doug did a great job as editor, and I wish you the best in beating his work!"

Frank G. Burke, early member #113 of Mass., states "I would like to see more articles about paper money and old checks. I'm sure you'll have trouble getting these and where you'll get them I'm sorry to say I do not know. All I can say is do the best you can and I wish you good luck."

Michael Bluhm MD, FACS, newer member #2070 of CA, asks a good question "What's a MUIE?" (Editor's challenge: Who will reply to this?)

Sue Ward #2110, newer member in Mich and avid collector of Obsoletes, has called our attention to a vignette, about two-thirds of one, being the same on a South Carolina note as on a Michigan note 19 years earlier. The Adrian Insurance Company (Mich) depicts on its $1 note an overseer, on a black horse with four white feet, watching farm hands harvesting grain with grain cradles and a wagon. This note in Criswell's Second Edition - pink cover - is A-80. In Bowen's blue book as #2 it shows the handpenned date as 1839. This note was printed by Toppan, Carpenter, Casilear & Co., New York & Phila. This company is the one which bought and revived the Erie & Kalamazoo Railroad Bank. The SC note, showing a date of 1858, is the $5 note of the Planters Bank of Fairfield, Winnsboro. The same horse and rider, the tree behind the horse, the trees in the distance, and part of the fence are identical to the Mich note, but instead of the grain cradlers the scene shows Negro slaves picking cotton. The printers are the same but this time they show their cities as "Phila. and New York" instead of vice versa.

A good example of vignettes alike are the harbor scenes on Michigan notes - the $5 Bank of Chippeway (Bowen #3) and the $10 Farmers Bank of Sandstone (Bowen #8). The large ships may be appropriate for Sault Ste. Marie but certainly not for inland Jackson County.

George M. Shubert #1087 of PA suggests it would be good if new members could be asked if they would trade, not to be put on exchange list, but just the words "will trade" after the name & address.

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Frank Denney #2108 of Nebraska asks if railway - coal mine - prison scrips, depression scrip, military, concentration camp, POW monies are within the realm of PMCM? (Certainly - how about an article?) And has an index of articles by subject been listed for past years? (Quite likely, and probably more than once, and we shall have to do some diggin on this one).

JANUARY 1983 BEP PRODUCTION

Federal Reserve Notes Printed

Denom.	Series	Serial # - From	To	Quantity
$ 1	1981	B90 880 001E	B99 840 000E	8,960,000
		B00 000 001F	B35 840 000F	35,840,000
		D46 080 001B	D87 040 000B	40,960,000
		F43 520 001D	F88 320 000D	44,800,000
		G15 360 001D	G47 360 000D	32,000,000
		J52 480 001B	J79 360 000B	26,880,000
$ 5	1981	B38 400 001B	B55 040 000B	16,640,000
		D58 880 001A	D69 120 000A	10,240,000
		E74 240 001A	E87 040 000A	12,800,000
		F60 160 001A	F69 120 000A	8,960,000
$ 10	1981	B46 080 001B	B65 280 000B	19,200,000
		D25 600 001A	D35 840 000A	10,240,000
		E35 840 001A	E46 080 000A	10,240,000
$ 20	1981	B03 840 001C	B35 840 000C	32,000,000
		D57 600 001A	D70 400 000A	12,800,000
		E03 840 001B	E21 760 000B	17,920,000
		L55 040 001B	L71 680 000B	16,640,000
$ 50	1981	E02 560 001A	E12 800 000A	10,240,000
$100	1981	E00 000 001A	E07 680 000A	7,680,000
		Star Notes		
$ 1	1981	D02 576 001*	D03 200 000*	128,000
$ 1	1981	J02 579 501*	J03 200 000*	500 sheets
$ 20	1981	B02 560 001*	B03 200 000*	640,000

EAGLE EYES - In the Dec/1928 Numismatist is a letter of Nov 8, 1928, from W. A. Philpott Jr., Pres., Dallas Coin Club: "We thought we were the only eagle-eyed persons to discover the Woods pane of 4 notes betwee panes of Speelman on the $1 Silver Cert, the first to bear Woods' signatures, but we note that Mr. Zerbe reports others in NY City. Ours were discovered Oct 1 & are left hand panes, location letters ABCD, & the las 2 figures identical with Mr. Zerbe's: Y70252889D-90-91-92 Speelman, 93-94-95-96 Woods, and 97-98-99-00 Speelman.